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SUBJECT: EVALUATION BY CHIEF OF MISSION OF PERSONNEL LEVELS:
KUWAIT

REF: (A) STATE 201122, (B) KUWAIT 1648.

I HAVE AGAIN REVIEWED USG ACTIVITIES AT THIS EMBASSY IN
THE LIGHT OF THE AIMS OF OUR MISSION AND THE LEVELS OF
PERSONNEL PROVIDED THE VARIOUS AGENCIES TO ACHIEVE THEM WITH
A VIEW TOWARD POSSIBLE REDUCTION OF MARGINAL ACTIVITIES AND
THE PERSONNEL ASSOCIATED WITH THEM. WHILE I AM
SYMPATHETIC WITH THE PRESIDENT'S OBJECTIVE IN THIS RESPECT
AND FAVORABLE TO THE IDEA OF A LEAN EMBASSY STAFF WITH NO
FAT, IT IS MY STUDIED CONCLUSION THAT ANY CUT IN ACTIVITIES
OR PERSONNEL AT THIS POST WOULD BE SCRAPING THE BONE. AS
STATED IN OUR PARTS II AND III OF OUR PARM (KUWAIT 1648),
WHICH CONTINUES TO BE AN ESSENTIALLY ACCURATE REFLECTION
OF OUR SITUATION, WE SHALL REQUIRE MORE STAFF - NOT REPT
NOT LESS - IN THE COMING YEAR TO MEET THE BASIC REQUIREMENTS
OF OUR MISSION IN KUWAIT. TO BE TOTALLY ACCURATE, OUR
RESPONSIBILITIES AND WORKLOAD HAVE ALREADY INCREASED IN
THE FIVE MONTHS SINCE THE PREPARATION OF THAT DOCUMENT
(TO CITE ONE EXAMPLE: THE ADDITIONAL WORK TO
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OVERCOME OBSTACLES TO US TRADE PROMOTION RESULTING FROM
PASSAGE OF THE ANTI-BOYCOTT AMENDMENT). I FIND NO AREA
OF USG ACTIVITIES IN KUWAIT, WHERE THE COST IS NOT
REIMBURSED BY THE GOK, THAT IS MARGINAL AND CAN BE
DISPENSED WITH. ANY CUT IN PERSONNEL WOULD RESULT IN
A REDUCTION OF ACTIVITIES EITHER REQUIRED BY LAW OR BY
THE OBJECTIVES SET FOR THIS MISSION. MY STAFF IS ALREADY

PERFORMING AT LEVELS FAR ABOVE THOSE WHICH WOULD BE
CONSIDERED HIGH IN GOVERNMENT AGENCIES IN WASHINGTON OR
ELSEWHERE IN THE US - AND UNDER DIFFICULT AND TRYING
CLIMATIC CONDITIONS TO BOOT.
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